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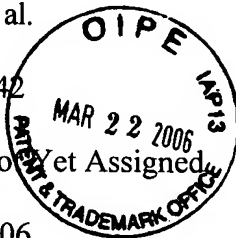
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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING FLUORINE-CONTAINING POLYMER, AQUEOUS DISPERSION OF FLUORINE-CONTAINING POLYMER, 2-ACYLOXYCARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVE, AND SURFACE ACTIVE AGENT

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Also, U.S. Patent Nos. 6,103,843 and 6,482,882 correspond to JP 9-183880, U.S. Patent No. 5,663,251 claims priority from JP 8-333408, U.S. Patent No. 4,529,781 claims priority from JP 60-188408, U.S. Patent Nos. 5,182,132 and 5,443,888 correspond to JP 3-224132, U.S. Patent No. 4,564,661 claims priority from JP 61-207413, EP 0 191 605 corresponds to JP 61-228008 and U.S. Patent No. 5,763,552 corresponds to JP 10-212261.

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